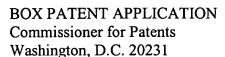


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Re:

Application of Akihiro NAGATA, Hiroshi GOTO and Yoshitaka OHSHIMA,

Shinichi IRISAWA

ARK TUBE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Assignee: KOITO MANUFACTURING CO., LTD

Our Ref. Q67307

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising twenty-five (25) sheets of the specification including the claims and abstract, 11 sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and preliminary amendment. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims Independent claims Base Fee	<u>7</u> - 20 <u>3</u> - 3	=	x x	\$18.00 = \$84.00 =	\$.00 \$.00 \$740.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$740.00
Recordation of Assignment TOTAL FEE				\$40.00 \$780.00	

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Priority is claimed from:

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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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